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REPETITION CODING FOR A WIRELESS SYSTEM

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to a data transmission scheme for a wireless communication system. More specifically, a repetition coding scheme for a
5 wireless system is disclosed.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The IEEE 802.11a, 802.11b, and 802.11g standards, which are hereby incorporated by reference, specify wireless communications systems in bands at 2.4GHz and 5 GHz. The combination of the 802.11a and 802.11g standards, written as the
10 802.11a/g standard, will be referred to repeatedly herein for the purpose of example. It should be noted that the techniques described are also applicable to the 802.11b standard where appropriate. It would be useful if alternate systems could be developed for communication over an extended range or in noisy environments. Such communication is collectively referred to herein as extended range communication. The IEEE 802.11a/g
15 standard specifies a robust data encoding scheme that includes error correction. However, for extended range communication, a more robust data transmission scheme at reduced data rates is required.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The present invention will be readily understood by the following detailed description in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, wherein like reference numerals designate like structural elements, and in which:

5 Figure 1A is a diagram illustrating the data portion of a regular 802.11a/g OFDM packet.

Figure 1B is a diagram illustrating the data portion of a modified 802.11a/g OFDM packet where each symbol is repeated twice ($r=2$).

10 Figure 2A is a diagram illustrating a transmitter system with a repetition encoder placed after the output of an interleaver such as the one specified in the IEEE 802.11a/g specification.

Figure 2B is a diagram illustrating a receiver system for receiving a signal transmitted by the transmitter system depicted in Figure 2A.

15 Figure 3A is a diagram illustrating a transmitter system with a repetition encoder placed before the input of an interleaver designed to handle repetition coded bits such as the one described below

Figure 3B is a diagram illustrating a receiver system for receiving a signal transmitted by the transmitter system depicted in Figure 3A.

Figures 4A-4C are tables illustrating an interleaver.